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**REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PILOT PROGRAM
BETWEEN THE (1) JPO OR (2) UKIPO, AND THE USPTO**

Application No.:	10/593,598	First Named Inventor:	Takashi Hashimoto
Filing Date:	September 21, 2006	Attorney Docket No.:	KAN 167NP
Title of the Invention:	PRINT MEDIUM QUALITY ADJUSTMENT SYSTEM, INSPECTION WATERMARK MEDIUM OUTPUT DEVICE FOR OUTPUTTING WATERMARK MEDIUM TO UNDERGO INSPECTION, WATERMARK QUALITY INSPECTION, ETC.		

THIS REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PPH PILOT PROGRAM MUST BE FAXED TO:
THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AT 671-273-0125 DIRECTED TO THE ATTENTION OF MAGDALEN GREENLIEF

APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS PARTICIPATION IN THE PATENT PROSECUTION HIGHWAY (PPH) PILOT PROGRAM AND PETITIONS TO MAKE THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION SPECIAL UNDER THE PPH PILOT PROGRAM.

The above-identified application validly claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) and 37 CFR 1.55 to one or more corresponding JPO application(s) or UKIPO application(s).

The ☒ JPO ☐ UKIPO application number(s) is/are: **JP 2004-263565**

The filing date of the ☒ JPO ☐ UKIPO application(s) is/are: **September 10, 2004**

I. List of Required Documents:

- A copy of all JPO office actions (excluding "Decision to Grant a Patent") in the above-identified JPO application(s), or a copy of all UKIPO office actions in the above-identified UKIPO application(s).
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Information disclosure statement listing the documents cited in the JPO office actions or UKIPO office actions is attached.

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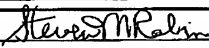
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(continued)Application No.: **10/953,598** First Named Inventor: **Takashi Hashimoto et al.****II. Claims Correspondence Table:**

Claims in US Application	Patentable Claims in JP/UKIPO Application	Explanation regarding the correspondence
1	1	Both claims are the same.
2	2	Both claims are the same.
3	3	Both claims are substantially same, except for claim dependency.
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21	15	Both claims are the same.
22	16	Both claims are the same.
23	17	Both claims are the same.
24	18	Both claims are substantially same, except for claim dependency.
25	19	Both claims are the same.

III. All the claims in the US application sufficiently correspond to the patentable/allowable claims in the JPO or UKIPO application.**IV. Payment of Fees:**The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h) as required by 37 CFR 1.102(d) to ☐ Deposit Account No. _____☒ Credit Card. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) is attached.

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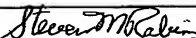
Credit Card Account #: 4264-2957-6915-9046

Credit Card Expiration Date: 11/09

Name as it Appears on Credit Card: STEVEN M. RABIN,
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Payment Amount: \$(US Dollars): \$130.00

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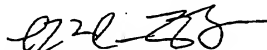
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allowed claims of Japanese Patent application No. 2004-263565.

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What is claimed is:

1. A print medium quality adjustment system comprising:
 - an inspection watermark medium output device that outputs an inspection watermark medium to be used to inspect a print medium and a watermark quality inspection device that inspects the quality of a watermark in the print medium, wherein:
 - the inspection watermark medium output device includes an inspection watermark signal generation unit that generates a single inspection watermark signal or a plurality of inspection watermark signals to be used for inspection, generates a watermark signal image by disposing the inspection watermark signal(s) in an arbitrary arrangement and generates inspection training data generates inspection training data having N-dimensionally (N is a value equal to or greater than 2) encoded data indicating a numerical value, which are obtained by digitizing the inspection watermark signal(s); and
 - an inspection medium output unit that outputs an inspection watermark medium to be used for inspection created by printing the inspection watermark signal(s) onto a medium; and
 - the watermark quality inspection device includes:
 - an input unit that takes in the inspection watermark medium as a multi-value gradation input image;
 - a signal detection unit that detects a signal embedded in the input image and extracts embedded watermark information from the signal;
 - a print quality judgment unit that judges watermark quality by comparing the watermark information with the inspection training data input thereto; and
 - a print adjustment value output unit that outputs, based upon the results of the quality judgment, a print adjustment value to be used to improve the print quality.

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2. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 1, further comprising:

an adjusted watermark medium output device that outputs an adjusted print medium based upon the print adjustment value input thereto, wherein:

the adjusted watermark medium output device includes;

a document image generation unit that creates a document image printed on a medium based upon document data;

a watermark information generation unit that N-dimensionally (N is a value equal to or greater than 2) encodes data indicating a numerical value, which are obtained by digitizing embed information to the embedded in a medium as a watermark signal;

a print adjustment value input unit to which the print adjustment value is input;

an adjusted watermark image generation unit that generates a watermark image based upon the document image and the watermark information by using the print adjustment value; and

a medium output unit that outputs an adjusted watermark medium created by printing the watermark image onto a medium.

3. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 1 or 2, wherein:

the print adjustment value output unit determines an adjustment value, which is dependent on the position assumed at the print medium, in correspondence to the difference between the inspection training data and the watermark signal detected by the signal detection unit and then output the adjustment value thus determined as the print adjustment value.

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4. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 3, wherein:
the inspection training data are obtained by using at least part of the watermark information.
5. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 4 or 5, wherein:
the print quality judgment unit divides adjustment values, each determined in correspondence to a specific position at the print medium, into groups each representing one of an arbitrary number of areas, sets an area with an adjustment value equal to or greater than a predetermined threshold value as a high-error area and designates the high-error area as a dummy watermark area with no information contained therein.
6. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 4 or 5, wherein:
the inspection watermark medium output device generates a plurality of inspection watermark signals; and
the print adjustment value output unit determines the print medium position-dependent adjustment value by executing tabulation processing on the plurality of inspection watermark signals.
7. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 3, wherein:
the adjusted watermark medium output device is connected with the inspection watermark medium output device and the watermark quality inspection device so as to receive at least the watermark image via the network.

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8. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 7, wherein:
the adjusted watermark medium output device also receives the print adjustment value via the network.
9. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 1-8, wherein:
the inspection watermark signal generation unit embeds characteristics information indicating document image characteristics needed for tampering detection processing as the inspection watermark.
10. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 2, wherein:
the print adjustment value output unit outputs as the print adjustment value a watermark printing parameter that satisfies a predetermined allowable recognition error rate by adopting a character recognition technology.
11. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 1-10, wherein:
the inspection watermark signal includes a plurality of signals different from one another provided to express identical information.
12. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 1-11, wherein:
a printing parameter of the inspection watermark signal is determined based upon a change in the print density value for the watermark signal image.

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13. A print medium quality adjustment system according to claim 1-11, wherein:

a printing parameter of the inspection watermark signal is determined based upon a change in the arrangement of pixels constituting the watermark signal image.

14. A watermark quality inspection device that inspects a watermark quality of a watermark in a print medium by using an inspection watermark medium and inspection training data input thereto, comprising:

an input unit that takes in the inspection watermark medium as a multi-value gradation input image;

a signal detection unit that detects a signal embedded in the input image and extracts embedded watermark information from the signal;

a print quality judgment unit that judges the watermark quality by comparing the watermark information with the inspection training data input thereto; and

a print adjustment value output unit that outputs, based upon the results of the quality judgment, a print adjustment value to be used to improve the print quality, wherein:

the inspection training data is obtained by N-dimensionally (N is a value equal to or greater than 2) encoding data indicating a numerical value, which are obtained by digitizing a single inspection watermark signal or a plurality of inspection watermark signals, and

the inspection watermark medium is a medium with the inspection watermark signal(s) printed thereon.

15. A watermark quality inspection device according to claim 14, wherein:

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the print adjustment value output unit determines an adjustment value, which is dependent on the position assumed at the print medium, in correspondence to the difference between the inspection training data and the watermark signal detected by the signal detection unit and then output the adjustment value thus determined as the print adjustment value.

16. A watermark quality inspection device according to claim 15, wherein:

the inspection training data are obtained by using at least part of the watermark information.

17. A watermark quality inspection device according to claim 15, wherein:

the print quality judgment unit divides adjustment values, each determined in correspondence to a specific position at the print medium, into groups each representing one of an arbitrary number of areas, sets an area with an adjustment value equal to or greater than a predetermined threshold value as a high-error area and designates the high-error area as a dummy watermark area with no information contained therein.

18. A watermark quality inspection device according to claim 15-17, wherein:

the inspection watermark medium output device generates a plurality of inspection watermark signals; and

the print adjustment value output unit determines the print medium position-dependent adjustment value by executing tabulation processing on the plurality of inspection watermark signals.

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19. A watermark quality inspection device according to claim 14,
wherein:

the print adjustment value output unit outputs as the print
adjustment value a watermark printing parameter that satisfies a
predetermined allowable recognition error rate by adopting a character
recognition technology.

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Notification of Reason(s) for Refusal

Patent Application No. Patent application No. 2004-263565
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Examiner of JPO Yoshiyuki KUSAKA 3359 5V00
Representative/Applicant Yoshiaki KAMEYA (other 2)
Applied Provision Patent Law Section 29(2)

This application should be refused for the reason mentioned below. If the applicant has any argument against the reason, such argument should be submitted within 60 days from the dispatch date of this notification.

Reason

The invention in the claims listed below of the subject application should not be granted a patent under the provision of Patent Law Section 29(2) since it could have easily been made by persons who have common knowledge in the technical field to which the invention pertains, on the basis of the invention described in the publications listed below which was distributed in Japan or foreign countries or the invention enabled the public to use through an electric communications line, prior to the filing of the subject application.

Note (See the list of cited documents etc., below.)

- Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-8, 14, 15, 20-22, 24, 26, 27 and 31-33
- Cited document 1

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- Remark:

In the paragraphs [0050]-[0066] in the cited document 1, there is described the invention where the addition level of the preventive information against forgery is determined by using the test pattern with a dot pattern indicating the preventive information against forgery arranged and by using a test pattern for comparison to add the preventive information against forgery to an image according to the addition level in the image processing device, in the maintenance device for printing and outputting the test pattern in the image processing device and connected to the image processing device through a network.

- Claims 2, 9, 11, 16, 17 and 28

- Cited documents 1 and 2

- Remark:

In the paragraphs [0033]-[0045] and [0093]-[0132] in the cited document 2, there is described a method of embedding watermark information by being subject to N-dimensional coding and a method of embedding feature information for detecting tampering.

Adopting the technical means in the cited document 2 to the invention in the cited document 1 can be easily made by a person skilled in the art.

- Claims 10, 12, 13, 18, 19, 25, 29 and 30

- Cited documents 1 and 3

- Remark:

In the paragraph [0017] in the cited document 3, there is described adjusting the printing parameter so as to embed the additional information reliably regardless of image reproducing property.

Adopting the technical means in the cited document 3 to the

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invention in the cited document 1 can be easily made by a person skilled in the art.

- Claims 5 and 23
- Cited documents 1 and 4
- Remark:

In the paragraphs [0053]-[0054] in the cited document 4, there is described controlling the arrangement interval and arrangement place of the tracking pattern to be embedded in the image.

Adopting the technical means in the cited document 4 to the invention in the cited document 1 can be easily made by a person skilled in the art.

- Claims 34-39
- Cited documents 1 and 5
- Remark:

In the paragraphs [0063]-[0069] in the cited document 5, there is described determining the number of addition of the dot pattern according to the size of image to which the dot pattern is to be added and the size of the dot pattern.

Adopting the technical means in the cited document 5 to the invention in the cited document 1 can be easily made by a person skilled in the art.

If any reason(s) for refusal is found later, it will be notified.

The list of cited documents etc.

1. JP 2002-290713 A
2. JP 2003-209676 A ✓
3. JP 07-074926 A ✓

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4. JP 08-298588 A ✓
5. JP 2003-101762 A ✓

Record of the result of prior art search

- Technical field(s) to be searched IPC H04N1/387
- Prior art document(s) JP 2004-015093 A

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Patent Examination Fourth Section image processing

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特許出願人代理人	亀谷 美明(外 2名) 横
適用条文	第29条第2項

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記 (引用文献等については引用文献等一覧参照)

・請求項 1, 3, 4, 6-8, 14, 15, 20-22, 24, 26, 27, 31-33

・引用文献等 1

・備考

引用文献1の【0050】-【0066】には、偽造防止情報を表すドットパターンを配置したテストパターンを画像処理装置で印刷出力し、該画像処理装置とネットワークで接続された保守装置において、該テストパターンと比較用のテストパターンを用いて偽造防止情報の付加レベルを決定し、該画像処理装置で付加レベルに応じて画像に偽造防止情報を付加する発明が記載。

・請求項 2, 9, 11, 16, 17, 28

・引用文献等 1, 2

・備考

引用文献2の【0033】-【0045】、【0093】-【0132】には、透かし情報をN元符号化して埋め込む手段と改ざん検出のための特徴情報を埋め込む手段が記載。

引用文献1記載の発明に引用文献2記載の技術的手段を適用することは、当業

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者であれば容易に想到し得る。

- ・請求項 10, 12, 13, 18, 19, 25, 29, 30
- ・引用文献等 1, 3
- ・備考

引用文献3の【0017】には、画像再現特性にかかわらず確実に付加情報を埋め込むために、印刷パラメータを調整することが記載。

引用文献1記載の発明に引用文献3記載の技術的手段を適用することは、当業者であれば容易に想到し得る。

- ・請求項 5, 23
- ・引用文献等 1, 4
- ・備考

引用文献4の【0053】－【0054】には、画像に埋め込む追跡パターンの配置間隔や配置箇所を制御することが記載。

引用文献1記載の発明に引用文献4記載の技術的手段を適用することは、当業者であれば容易に想到し得る。

- ・請求項 34－39
- ・引用文献等 1, 5
- ・備考

引用文献5の【0063】－【0069】には、ドットパターンを付加する画像のサイズとドットパターンのサイズに応じて、ドットパターンの付加個数を決定することが記載。

引用文献1記載の発明に引用文献5記載の技術的手段を適用することは、当業者であれば容易に想到し得る。

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引用文献等一覧

1. 特開2002-290713号公報
2. 特開2003-209676号公報
3. 特開平07-074926号公報
4. 特開平08-298588号公報
5. 特開2003-101762号公報

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